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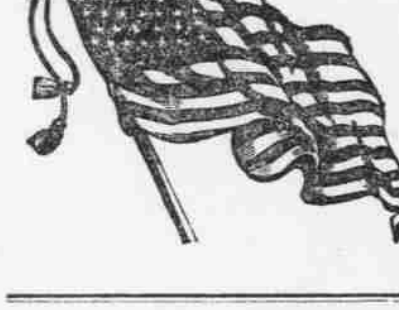
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WANTS GERMANY TO DO RIGHT.

According to the reports from Berlin, relative to the last note which was sent to the German government by this country, it is desired to know what kind of an answer would satisfy the United States, and whether assurances of a properly conducted submarine campaign would be adequate or whether concessions now would be the price to further demands later.

There ought to be little question from the note which this country has sent as to what it is expected Germany will do. It tells Germany in the first place that it has not been doing right, that it has been going contrary to the rules of naval warfare and that it is disregarding the rights of neutral nations in a manner which cannot be tolerated. What is wanted is the ending of this kind of activity and the carrying out of a policy which cannot fail to be considered justifiable within the provision of international law.

This country is asking for no more, but it is sick and tired of receiving empty promises and they will not be acceptable henceforth. Germany is being asked to make no concessions which it ought not to expect. It is demanded that it let up on the methods which are being used by the submarines but such is only requiring that it do its part as a nation which subscribes to international law and the rules of war. There is no thought of depriving Germany of its rights and it is an unfair intimation that if Germany agreed to the demands of the United States this time that there would be further demands in the future. This country has asked only what is just and what has been made necessary by the German violations.

SIR ROGER CASEMENT

What will be the fate of Sir Roger Casement is likely to be revealed within a short time. His case is not subject to very lengthy delays in Great Britain and especially when treason is involved.
The revolt which broke out in Dublin has all the appearances of being connected with the effort of Casement to land German arms on the Irish coast, though the rebellion could hardly have been dependent upon the success of any such expedition. Casement, however, has shown his disloyalty to England in no unmistakable terms. He has given in to the feeling which has been pent up in him for a long time. He was willing to accept all the honors and a good living at the hands of the British but his love for country was the treacherous kind which only waits for a chance to stab a friend in the back.
The plea has been offered in Casement's behalf that he is suffering from a disordered mind, his acts and statements in the past being advanced as the ground for such belief, but if there was nothing else the manner in which he has put forth into this expedition to Ireland which has ended in such a failure either shows his desperation or his poor judgment.
Yet such a claim upon the part of his former associates and friends cannot serve to prevent the imposition of the penalty. It may serve to prevent the death penalty, and while he may escape being shot in the tower of London it is more than probable that he will spend the remainder of his days behind prison walls. Casement has sold himself very cheaply and it is not possible for him to gain widespread sympathy.

THE MASSACHUSETTS PRIMARY.

As certain as was the recent contest in the New Hampshire primary, where one candidate who had long and loudly proclaimed his determination to support Theodore Roosevelt for the republican nomination for president in the Chicago convention, is the outcome in the Massachusetts primary, that the former president is not the choice of the united republican party. In both instances have the candidates who favored him been defeated.

In Massachusetts the effort was carried on with determination to secure delegates who were pledged to his support. Elaborate preparations were made and a stiff fight followed up to the very last minute but there can be no question from the verdict that has been rendered how the people stand. They are not convinced that there is only one man in the country who can safely guide the destinies of the party. The result of the votes cast, even though the number who appeared at the polls was small, shows that the majority believe that some other candidate is preferable, that someone else will better represent the interests of the party and the welfare of the country.

In Massachusetts it is also a significant fact that Governor McCall received the largest vote of any candidate for the republican delegation pledged or unpledged, since the governor in a recent statement made it evident that he was not a supporter of Roosevelt and did not believe that he was the one to carry the party standard. The big vote that he received is the people feel as he does and that they are convinced that it is not necessary to go outside of the party for its nominees, or to take up its candidate who made it possible to put the present administration in power, and there are indications that the other sections of the country feel likewise.

A WRONG ATTITUDE.

It is a strange attitude which is taken by the German-American organizations in protesting to the representatives in congress against any action which will result in a break with Germany, not because it is desired that this country should remain at peace, but because the idea seems to be held that Germany should be allowed to go to any length, disregard the rights of American citizens and neutral shipping on the high seas and murder defenseless men, women and children and not be called to account for it.

No nation has been more devious of remaining neutral and keeping out of the conflict which is raising such havoc in Europe than this. That was its purpose at the start, and that is doing right, but it cannot stand idly by and be trampled upon. It is not intended that its notes to other nations when they go beyond their rights shall be interpreted as being solely for the purpose of appeasing the people of this country. There is the national self respect and honor which must be upheld and that is what is being done when other countries are informed that its rights must be respected or there will be a break in diplomatic relations.

Under such circumstances the plain duty of every citizen of this country is to stand by the nation. This government has done its utmost to secure respect from Germany without obtaining results. Germany is the worst violator in this respect because it shows a total disregard for lives of humanity, and for that reason it is not only a strange but a most unpatriotic stand which citizens of this country take when they endeavor to call a halt in the final appeal which the United States government has made to correct the conditions. It is a time when the interests of this country should come first and in view of the causes of this recent note the appeals should be made to Germany and not to the members of congress.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Mr. Bryan may have gone to Washington to work for peace, but it was a brief piece of work.

In its endeavor to find out what this country wants, Germany may have a hard time deciding between right and wrong.

It is a good idea to make the necessary arrangements for the planting of a tree before Arbor day arrives, which will be tomorrow.

The result of that joy ride in Hamden ought to be a powerful lesson to those who are inclined to indulge in such recklessness.

It may be a little too soon but it would not be surprising to hear most any day that Villa had been killed and buried again.

It is difficult to believe without reference to the calendar that it is but a little over two weeks to the opening of the straw hat season.

That German attack upon Lowestoft may have been carried out just to show that it does not have to rely solely upon the submarines.

Henry Ford having purchased a site for a \$5,000,000 auto factory on the Jersey coast doesn't apparently anticipate trouble from a foreign invasion.

The man on the corner says: The great trouble with the selection of a new hat is that every fellow imagines he looks like someone he doesn't admire.

From the trouble which certain people are causing over in Dublin, it might be understood that they had been deprived of other chances to fight.

NOT PLACING GEORGE

"Good afternoon," said the elaborately dressed woman as she walked into the office of the head of the private school, her son accompanying her. "I came to see about George's situation in your school, Mr. Phillips."

"We have not a single vacancy just now," said the polite gentleman at the desk.

"You haven't?" cried his caller, sitting down with a great rustle. "How perfectly annoying! Well, maybe some one will move away or be ill or something!"

"George in your school, Mr. Phillips, because I heard that you paid special attention to individual pupils — and George is a terribly individual!"

"The whole trouble has been that his teachers haven't recognized that fact. They have treated him though he was exactly like the ordinary run of children and made no allowance for his sensitiveness and his wonderful imagination. I think those things should be cultivated, don't you, Mr. Phillips? Why, there is no telling what George would develop into in the proper atmosphere."

"I want a sympathetic atmosphere, above all things, for him! All these little tendrils of thought, these reachings out for the republican delegation, should be encouraged, instead of suppressed! Why, what if all our great artists and inventors were all put at every turn? Where would we be?"

"That is what I asked Miss James — she is the last one who sent George home, continued the elaborately dressed woman. "She objected to his turning on all the steam valves in the radiator because the water ran out and the ceiling came to fall down."

"What, I asked her, is a ceiling in comparison with the wonderful work done by steam? Didn't somebody experiment with a teakettle and a false steam? I'd like to know where the world would be if he had been punished for his experiments? Besides, the ceilings were very grimy and she would have to have them done at spring housecleaning time, anyway. So the bill she sent to me was very unjust."

"I explained to her I had to send a check this month for my new suit, but she was most disagreeable. I don't think a child can develop properly at all with a woman like that at the head of things! Besides, George didn't mean to leave them turned on, did you, George?"

"Uh, uh!" said George, casually. "Kin I go right in the hall?"

"No stay right here, dear," said his mother. "Mr. Phillips can understand your case so much better if he can look at you while I talk."

"Oh, it will do him good to sit still," protested George's mother. "He's so full of energy that it worries me lest he wear himself out before he gets to those delicately balanced minds that must be occupied. If he were one of those dull, stolid children of whom we see so many, I should not mind his having no trouble about his school—but one has to pay a penalty for brilliance!"

"I explained to Mr. Dogmar that this was the reason for George's seeming neglect of his studies," Mr. Dogmar complained that George did not get his lessons. "I thought the child should complain of his teachers' neglect of his studies. If a child had no interest in his studies it certainly showed that he had a poor teacher."

THE WAR PRIMER

By National Geographic Society

Parral, Mexico, which recently was the scene of tragic happenings in connection with the arrival there of General Pershing's punitive expeditionary force, is in the heart of the most richly endowed and silver mines district of the southern republic, mines which were among the first discovered by the Spanish conquerors and which are pouring their stream of wealth into the coffers of the monarchs of Aragon and Castille as early as 1547. This town, which has a population of more than 20,000, has been the center of Francisco Villa's operations for several years. Its historical and commercial importance are set forth concisely in a bulletin issued today by the National Geographic society, whose headquarters is in Washington, which says:

"Situated on the banks of the semi-dry Parral River, at the foot of the Sierra de la Cruz, Parral's whole history centers below ground in the marvelous rich Veta Colorado (red vein) which runs from north to south through the Parral mining district, including Minas Nuevas and Santa Barbara."

"As early as 1600, before the first permanent English settlement in the United States, there were seven thousand miners employed in this district, bringing from the depths of the earth the yellow metal destined to sustain in splendor the throne of the fabulous court of the then most powerful monarchy in Europe. From that day up to the present Parral has continued to enrich the world from its seemingly inexhaustible store of silver and gold, the only interruption having been caused by a rebellion of the oppressed natives who on one occasion closed all the mines of the district and then deserted the city by the thousands."

"The richness of the ore in this section is shown by the fact that American mining companies find it profitable today to smelt the tailings or refuse of the old Spanish workings."

"One of the most interesting incidents in the early history of Parral centers about a time-stained cavern known as La Iglesia de San Pedro Rayo, the favorite place of worship among the Indians of the district. In 1690 a devout native began the construction of the church, placing his helpers with ingots of pure gold which he produced mysteriously once a week. During the twenty years required to build the structure the plot of land baffled the spies commissioned to discover the source of the treasure, but when his work was finished the Spaniard commander summoned the miner before him and demanded that the location of the mine be disclosed. When the Indian refused to tell, he was tortured to death, carrying with him to the grave the secret which two hundred years of search have failed to reveal."

"One of the 'sights' of Parral is the palace of a multi-millionaire mine owner, once a humble peon. In this house, which is made of adobe huts and narrow streets, there are big drawing rooms and museums with luxurious carpets, over which the owner is fighting a losing battle with the tax collector. Twenty pianos are among the most highly prized possessions of this simple, public-spirited native, the source of which was a little palm tree which he discovered many years ago. "Parral was not always the chief city of this mining district. In 1880 the nearby town of Santa Barbara was the seat of government for a vast region equal to one-third the area of the United States today, exclusive of Alaska. The country over which it held sway embraced the territory now comprising Chihuahua, Goahuala, Sonora, Pecos, New Mexico, Arizona, California, and Colorado."

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time, although he may not be as numerous as he has been in earlier years. This is an event always looked forward to with keen anticipation by the epicure, for he knows that there is nothing finer than the silver fish from our great river. Of course the backwater spring and the area in the old time and you might have said so in the beginning! Come, George! There are plenty of other schools in town!"

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Weather For May.

Mr. Editor: Just let me say thank you to more than two score correspondents who have written me flattering letters, in line with the one published in your valuable paper April 4 from Lebanon. It did certainly require some faith in my weather rules to predict three feet of snow going away about a flood. But then, I have been in the system of weather predictions that I have followed for years without its failing very much.

"But," began the polite weather-maker who knows nothing what ever about any planetary conditions, has failed so many thousands of times that there is little wonder that he has been more and more attracted to take notice when some one tells them from month to month just what to expect at just what times, and about which. Now since I predicted the early leaving of snow and frost without flood, and great destruction, the Washington bureau has predicted rain or snow for the 14th and 15th of the month of May, 1916. A few electrical disturbances, but not much rain with them. An enormous crop of cutworms and squash bugs will appear in May.

Memorial day, 1916, will go down in history as the greenest Memorial day yet known to the health authorities, including early planted gardens will be far advanced. The apple and pear trees this coming month will be heavily laden with blossoms. Fruits of all kinds, including berries, both cultivated and wild will be in splendid shape and loaded far beyond the average yield of the season.

May hatched chickens will grow rapidly, mature quickly and be free from disease. Tons, snakes and moths will be very numerous. But what do you care so long as the notice has been sent to you to be on your guard by.

THE CLOUD DIGGER.
Packer, Conn.

OTHER VIEW POINTS

Former President Taft deserves the title of our most distinguished private citizen. He refuses to be swayed by partisan anger and looks at public matters from the standpoint of an intelligent, wholehearted and eminently sensible American. Concerning President Wilson's demand on Germany Mr. Taft says: "He is right and we must all stand by him. I cannot follow the reasoning of those who exalt Americanism and patriotism and yet do not uphold his hands in the present crisis."

The Courant referred the other day to the peculiarities of referendum votes and noted that the proposed constitution of 1902 was opposed because it contained a provision requiring an affirmative vote of a majority of the registered voters to hold another convention. There was another loud opposition outcry, and that was because the new scheme provided for a slight increase in the salaries of legislators. That was repugnant to a constable. Here comes 1916, and a constitutional amendment is passed which specifically provides for an increase of payments to legislators. The people, who wouldn't stand for it when only a part of an excellent general project, it takes real spine, and more than a cent's worth of it, to make a three penny—Washington American.

Mr. Ford, the automobile man, now says that he will accept the presidential nomination "if the people want him." The things that Mr. Ford says and does are not long ago. The Ford joke is a very serious matter. This is one phase of it. It can't be laughed at. It is not alarming, except in the fact that it shows a man who says that "I shall not finance any third party—not with one cent." He changes his mind, perhaps. It is easy to convince a man that it is necessary to sacrifice modest personal scruples for the sake of a cause. It will take real spine, and more than a cent's worth of it, to make a three penny—Washington American.

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